

Drownings of Utah Residents

Child Fatality Review Committee

Drowning Major Risk Factors

- <5 years or 15-19 years of age
- Open body of water
- Unfenced pools
- Unlocked pool gate
- Inadequate supervision
- Sibling in charge of supervision
- Poor understanding of child's developmental abilities

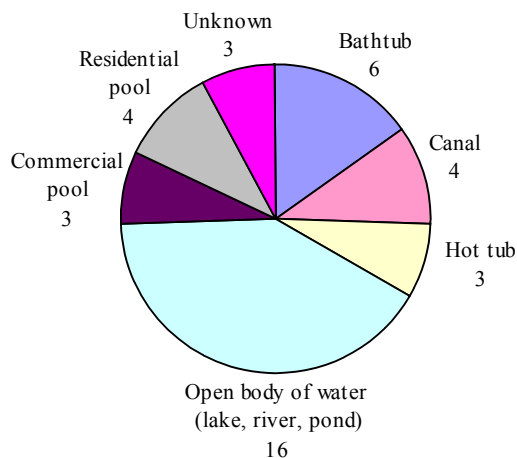
Drowning Deaths by Age Group, 2000-2002

Age Group	Male	Female	Total Deaths
5 years	14	8	22
6-10 years	4	1	5
11-14 years	2	1	3
15-19 years	9	0	9
Total	29	10	39

Drowning Deaths by Race, 2000-2002

Race	Number of Deaths
White	37
Native American	1
Not reported	1
Total	39

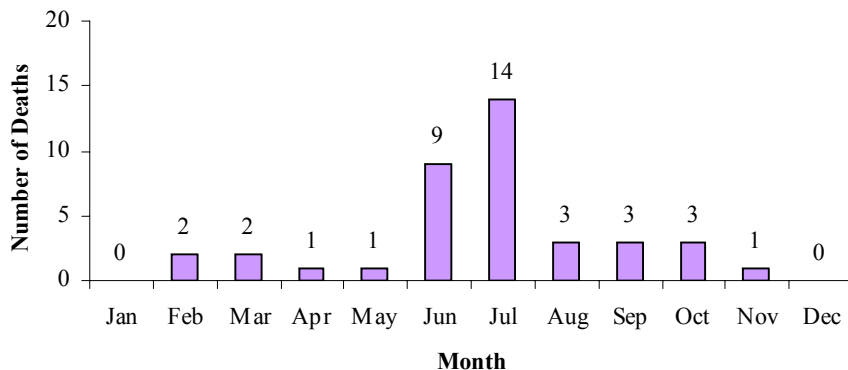
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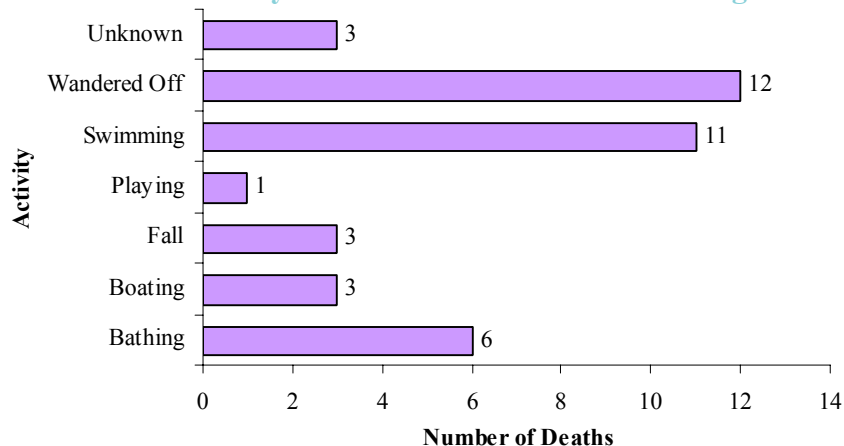
Drowning Deaths by Injury County, 2000-2002

County	Number of Deaths
Cache	4
Carbon	1
Davis	3
Duchesne	1
Garfield	1
Grand	1
Kane	2
Millard	1
Salt Lake	5
San Juan	1
Sanpete	3
Uintah	1
Utah	5
Weber	3
Unknown	3
Total	39

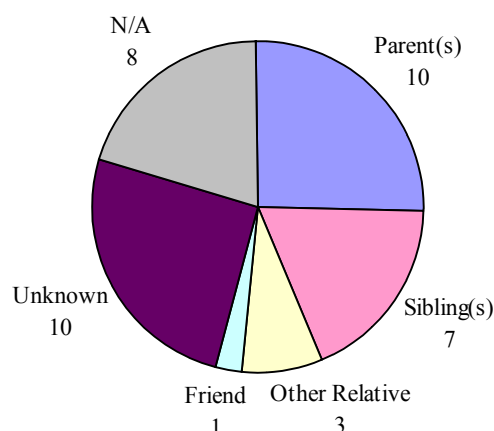
Drowning Deaths by Month, 2000-2002



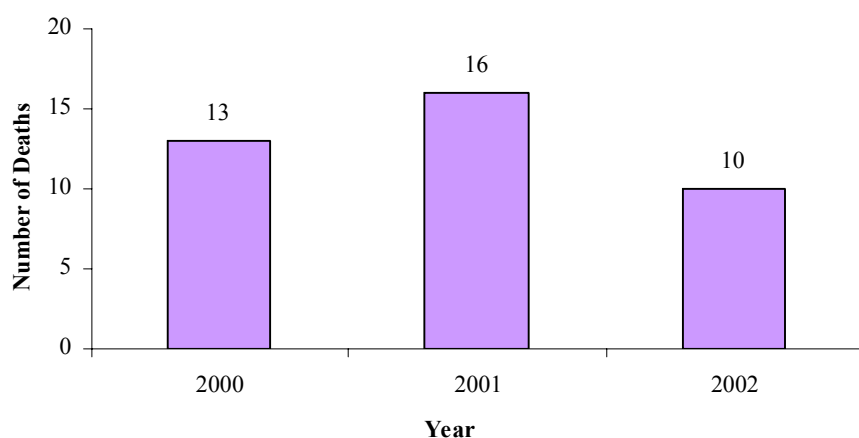
Activity of Decedent at Time of Drowning



Person in Charge of Supervision at Time of Injury



Drowning Deaths by Year



Pool Properly Fenced with Gate Locked

Fenced and Locked	Number of Deaths
Yes	0
No	4
Unknown	3
Total Pools	7

Deaths Witnessed

Witnessed	Number of Deaths
Yes	4
No	21
Unknown	5
N/A	9
Total	39

Circumstances Surrounding Drowning Deaths, 2000-2002

- One death was due to the decedent breathing the exhaust of an internal combustion engine of a boat.
- Sixty-seven percent of deaths (n=6) in the 15-19 year age group occurred while the decedent was attempting to swim a long distance in an open body of water.
- One death was the result of a near-drowning event that occurred five years earlier.
- A flotation device was not in use at the time of any of the drowning deaths during 2000-2002.
- Two of the six bathtub drownings occurred while decedent was left alone to bathe with a sibling.

Out-of-State Residents

From 2000-2002, nine non-Utah residents died while in Utah as a result of drowning but are not included in the total. Decedents included seven males and two females ages one to eighteen years. Three deaths were due to the decedent breathing exhaust fumes from an internal combustion engine of a boat.